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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 15, 2004

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully respond to the December 15, 2004 Office Action as set forth below. Claims 1-20 remain in the present application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.